GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5432
ANSWERED ON:28.04.2003
PROJECT TIGER AND PROJECT ELEPHANT
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of `Project Tiger` and `Project Elephant` set up in the country;

(b) the number of tigers including leopards and elephants in those project areas;

(c) the main objectives of setting up of these projects; and

(d) the funds spent on these projects during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) The number of Project Tiger Reserves set up in the country is 27, while the number of Project Elephant Reserves in the country is 25.

(b) The number of Tigers, leopards and elephants reported in these reserves are :

Tigers 1576
Leopards 1621
Elephants 20200

(c) The objective of Project Tiger scheme is to ensure maintenance of a viable population of tiger, in India for scientific , economic , aesthetic , cultural and ecological, values and to preserve for all time, areas of biological importance as a natural heritage for the benefit, education and enjoyment of the people. While the objectives of Project Elephant include, protection of elephants and improvement of their habitats and corridors, welfare of domesticated elephants, eliciting public co-operation, improvement of support services to elephant reserves.

(d) The financial assistance provided to the States under these projects during the last three years are at Annexure I

ANNEXURE -1

ANNEXURE IN RESPECT OF PART (d)OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5432 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28-2003 REGARDING PROJECT TIGER AND PROJECT ELEPHANT

STATE-WISE RELEASE UNDER PROJECT TIGER

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Name of Tiger Reserve Range State	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Andhra Pradesh	45.00	21.00	21.10
Arunachal Pradesh	32.607	82.76	35.875
Assam	156.10	46.00	65.70
Bihar	87.077	50.00	25.00
Chattisgarh		35.00	32.48
Karnataka	193.36	181.434	289.56
Kerala	50.00	50.00	63.75
Jharkhand	-	75.65	18.00
Madhya Pradesh	434.247	472.18	786.44
Maharashtra	167.931	209.231	621.79

Meghalaya	1.50		
Mizoram	27.58	20.495	98.32
Orissa	83.31	126.81	32.88
Rajasthano	299.705	170.319	294.92
Tamil Nadu	60.315	16.00	125.00
Uttanchal	-	181.825	168.00
Uttar Pradesh	181.655	67.40	32.75
West Bengal	98.18	142.176	168.33
Total	1918.567	1948.255	2879.895

STATE-WISE RELEASE UNDER PROJECT ELEPHANT

(Rs. In Lakhs)

STATES	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03
Assam	45.00	94.50	116.00
Arunachal Pradesh	89.81	56.00	52.00
Meghalaya	35.73	30.00	41.00
Nagaland	35.17	72.13	49.00
Tripura	2.00	1.00	3.00
Mizoram	1.00	Nil	5.00
Manipur	1.00	Nil	Nil
Andhra Pradesh	46.30	31.00	50.00
Kerala	66.05	82.00	111.88
Karnataka	51.00	81.00	93.00
Tamilnadu	50.00	40.00	71.26
W.Bengal	79.04	95.00	86.47
Bihar/ Jharkhand	5.00	22.688	45.00
Orissa	29.75	102.03	108.39
U.P./ Uttranchal	100.00	125.14	107.00
TOTAL	636.85	832.488	939.00